February 24, 2019 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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From Father Kasel

Praised be Jesus Christ through Mary! Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus,

In the Gospel for this Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Luke 6:27-38), our good Lord Jesus instructs us to "love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you." (Luke 6:27-28) How can a soul do this, except that the soul first be willing, with the help of God's grace, and then choose to cooperate with God's grace that His instruction be put into practical action? This is how a soul can grow to love an enemy and do good deeds for someone who is uncharitable in return. This process and practice ought to be part of our own personal desires in the service of our good Lord. This week I share with you a portion of a tractate on the First Letter of St. John composed by the great St. Augustine. "We have been promised that "we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is". By these words, the tongue has done its best; now we must apply the meditation of the heart. Although they are the words of Saint John, what are they in comparison with the divine reality? And how can we, so greatly inferior to John in merit, add anything of our own? Yet we have received, as John has told us, an anointing by the Holy One which teaches us inwardly more than our tongue can speak. Let us turn to this source of knowledge, and because at present you cannot see, make it your business to desire the divine vision. The entire life of a good Christian is in fact an exercise of holy desire. You do not yet see what you long for, but the very act of desiring prepares you, so that when He comes you may see and be utterly satisfied.

Suppose you are going to fill some holder or container, and you know you will be given a large amount. Then you set about stretching your sack or wineskin or whatever it is. Why? Because you know the quantity you will have to put in it and your eyes tell you there is not enough room.

By stretching it, therefore, you increase the capacity of the sack, and this is how God deals with us. Simply by making us wait he increases our desire, which in turn enlarges the capacity of our soul, making it able to receive what is to be given to us.

So, my brethren, let us continue to desire, for we shall be filled. Take note of Saint Paul stretching as it were his ability to receive what is to come: "Not that I have already obtained this," he said, "or am made perfect. Brethren, I do not consider that I have already obtained it." We might ask him, "If you have not yet obtained it, what are you doing in this life?"

"This one thing I do", answers Paul, "forgetting what lies behind, and stretching forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the prize to which I am called in the life above". Not only did Paul say he stretched forward, but he also declared that he pressed on toward a chosen goal. He realized in fact that he was still short of receiving what no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man conceived. Such is our Christian life. By desiring Heaven we exercise the powers of our soul. Now this exercise will be effective only to the extent that we free ourselves from desires leading to infatuation with this world. Let me return to the example I have already used, of filling an empty

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St. Paul & St. Michael

We are happy that you are here! If you are new to our parishes, please call or stop at the Parish Office. We would love to meet you and answer any questions that you might have!

SACRAMENTS

Confession - Saturday 4:15pm at St. Michael; Sunday 8:25am at St. Paul and 8:00am before daily weekday Holy Mass at both parishes. Baptism - Please contact the parish office.

Matrimony - Please call Father Kasel at least six months prior to hoped-for wedding date.

Eucharist - Either Fr. Kasel or our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are happy to bring Holy Communion to parishioners who are homebound. Please contact either parish office.

Anointing of the Sick - This is for someone who is seriously ill, dealing with major surgery or infirm. Please contact Father Kasel to make arrangements. **WEEKEND HOLY MASS SCHEDULE:**

Church of Saint Paul - Sunday Confessions at 8:25am, Rosary at 8:25am, Mass at 8:45am

Church of Saint Michael - Saturday Confessions at 4:15pm, Rosary at 4:35pm, Mass at 5:00pm

Church of Saint Michael - Sunday Mass at 7:00am and 10:30am WEEKDAY HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

Church of Saint Paul - Tuesday and Thursday

Confession 8am & Mass 8:30am, Rosary at 8:10am before Mass

Church of Saint Michael - Wednesday and Friday

Confession 8am and Mass 8:30am

Zumbrota Care Center - 2nd Thursday of the month, Mass at 9:15am Pine Haven Care Center - 1st Wednesday of the month, Mass at 11am

container.

God means to fill each of you with what is good; so cast out what is bad! If He wishes to fill you with honey and you are full of sour wine, where is the honey to go? The vessel must be emptied of its contents and then be cleansed. Yes, it must be cleansed even if you have to work hard and scour it. It must be made fit for the new thing, whatever it may be.

We may go on speaking figuratively of honey, gold or wine – but whatever we say we cannot express the reality we are to receive. The name of that reality is God. But who will claim that in that one syllable we utter the full expanse of our heart's desire? Therefore, whatever we say is necessarily less than the full truth. We must extend ourselves toward the measure of Christ so that when He comes He may fill us with His presence. Then we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is.

Through the intercession of Our Lady of Lourdes, St. Joseph, St. Michael and St. Paul, may God bless us with the graces peace and love for the will of God!

In Christ through Mary,

Fr. Kasel

The Women's Holy Hour for Month of February will be on Sunday, February 24th, from 6:00-8:30pm, starting upstairs in the sanctuary for prayers, Rosary, and confession, and then going downstairs for food, fellowship, and a timely topic talk by Fr. Kasel. We will be serving soup and sub sandwiches and ask for your desserts and salads. Hope to see you all this month, we need to keep praying together!

Holy Hour and Social for Men: Sunday, March 10th at 7:00pm at the Church of St. Michael, Pine Island.

Holy Hour for Vocations: Tuesday, March 12th at 7:00–8:00pm at the Church of St. Michael, Pine Island. More details on pg. 4.

CHURCH OF SAINT MICHAEL NEWS

CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL FAITH FORMATION

The Next Class/Session: Wednesday, March 13, 2019

Below is the schedule:

6:00-6:30pm-Meal

6:35-7:30pm-Children Class/Parent & Adult Session

7:35-7:45pm-All students, parents, & teachers meet in the

Church for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction!

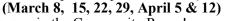
If your family has a conflict with any Wednesday sessions, you may attend either Parish. Please contact either Parish for any questions.

Our program is open for all of our parishioners to attend and it will benefit all ages! There will be separate presentations for adults & youth. If you are interested in attending our adult presentation and do not have children for the program, please RSVP by email or through sign-up sheet at the entrance of the church, if you would like to come to the meal.

Thank You! St Pio Knights of Columbus Council 16016 would like to thank the Church of St. Michael parishioners for your support for the fundraiser the weekend of February 16 and February 17, 2019. Thank you to all who attended and the brother Knights who assisted and made chili for this event. Thank you to the ladies for the pies which were great!

St. Pio Knights of Columbus Council 16016 will meet Saturday, March 9, 2019 at 8am at the Church of St. Michael Church, Pine Island. We will have an abbreviated Business meeting. The First Degree Initiation will be right after our meeting. Thank You!

The Church of St. Michael Men's Club Fish Fries Serving from 4:30pm-7:00pm -each Friday of Lent



in the Community Room! STATIONS OF THE CROSS at 7:30pm

Words to Live by:

"We need to find God, and He cannot be found in noise and restlessness. God is the friend of silence. See how nature – trees, flowers, grass- grows in silence; see the stars, the moon and the sun, how they move in silence... We need silence to be able to touch souls." *St. Mother Teresa*

"There is more hunger in the world for love and appreciation than for bread." St. Mother Teresa

"The fundamental moral requirement of all communication is respect for and service of the truth. Freedom to seek and speak what is true is essential to human communication, especially regarding our relationship with God." St. John Paul II, Message for the 37th World Communications Day, January 24, 2003

"The Most Blessed Eucharist contains the entire spiritual good of the Church." (St. Thomas Aquinas) It is a Sacrament, that is, an intervention of Christ Himself who communicates to us the dynamism of His love. Every priest is the servant and minister of the Paschal Mystery accomplished on the Cross and lived anew on the Altar for the redemption of the world." St. John Paul II, General Audience, May 12, 1993

Fight the New Drug Event: All 9-12 graders are invited to a dynamic presentation by Fight the New Drug. This group exists to raise awareness of the harmful effects of pornography using only science, facts, and personal accounts. The presentation will be held at the Church of All Saints in Lakeville, MN on Monday evening, February 25, from 6:30-8:00pm. Contact Fr Kasel with questions.

PI Food Shelf: The items requested for this month of March: **Baking Mixes**. Please help out the Food Shelf by bringing a box or two of Pancake, Muffin, Biscuit or Cake mixes to church.

WEEKLY TITHING for February 16-17, 2019

Envelopes: \$ 985.00 Plate: \$ 1,204.65 EFT: \$ 1,247.50 Total: \$ 3,437.15

Holy Spirit Novena for February: Begins Mar. 1 & concludes Mar. 9.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Ann Downie, 83, (mother of Deacon Kevin Downie), who passed away. 'Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord; and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.'

Calling all Catholic Men! All men, fathers, and sons are invited to the Archdiocesan Men's Conference Saturday, March 23 at St. Thomas Academy in Mendota Heights. The theme this year is "Arming Men of Integrity" with guest speaker Patrick Madrid from Relevant Radio. The conference runs from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. with doors opening at 8:00 a.m. and the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available. Bring your own lunch or purchase from the on-site food trucks! Find details and register at TheCatholicWatchmen.com. Cost: \$30. Group discounts available. Questions? Call Enzo Randazzo at 651-291-4483.

HOLY MASS TIMES AND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Wednesday, February 27, 2019

8:00am Confessions/8:30am Holy Mass 9:00am-5:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday, March 1, 2019

8:00am Confessions/8:30am Holy Mass

Saturday, March 2, 2019

4:15pm Confession/ 4:35pm Rosary

5:00pm Holy Mass
Lector: Terri Pass
EM: Jon Lenn
Server: Joseph Pass
Usher: Scott Pass
Sunday, March 3, 2019

7:00am Extraordinary Form Holy Mass

10:30am Holy Mass **Lector:** Ren Tescher **EM:** Ron Breid

Servers: Bennett Elo, Charles Nelson, Leland Nelson

Usher: Ren Tescher

UPCOMING CHURCH ACTIVITIES

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HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

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February 27, 2019 † Regina Bisch (Mary Deutsch)

March 1, 2019 †Leslie Crawley (Lyle & Cori Paulson)

March 1, 2019 (EF)†Sr. Marga Ernster †Jeanette Morgan

March 3, 2019 (EF)Steve & Helen McNamara (Sara McNamara)

March 3, 2019 Parishioners



CHURCH OF SAINT PAUL NEWS

CHURCH OF ST. PAUL FAITH FORMATION

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Baskets/Items for St. Patrick's Ham Dinner SILENG AUCGION

Calling all parishioners! We are looking for silent auction baskets and items for our silent auction fundraiser. We are in need of baskets to be donated for the Silent Auction held during **St. Patrick's Ham Dinner.** Please make up any type of "basket" that you like or any individual items, including religious items, gift certificates, gift cards, homemade item or purchased items. Please drop off any items at the parish office. *Thank you for your generosity*.

2019 Day of Recollection: The South East Deanery CCW and the St. Pius V CCW will host the 2019 Day of Recollection on Thursday, March 14th at the St. Pius V Catholic Church of Cannon Falls. Our speaker for the day will be Yen Fasano who has dedicated nearly two decades working with young people and the young-at-heart, teaching and sharing in Catholic schools, parishes and local settings. She was a part of the delegation from the Archdiocese that went to Orlando last July that focused on Pope Francis' encyclical, The Joy of the Gospel. Her proudest form of identification will always be "beloved daughter of God". Registration at 8:30, Speaker 9:00, Rosary 10:45 with Mass and Lunch to follow. A free will offering will be taken. Reservations call Pat Reinardy at 507-263-3295 or Ron.Reinardy@gmail.com by March 10,2019. Everyone welcome.

Catholic Daughters will be meeting on Monday, February 25, 2019, at Holy Trinity in Goodhue. Light supper at 6:30 pm, meeting starts at 7:00 pm. Any women interested in joining are welcome to attend as a guest. "Thank you" everyone who supported our recent "Meal in a Bucket" fundraiser.

You are invited to the Bingo Night at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Miesville, MN on March 2nd after the 6pm Holy Mass.

Local Fundraiser: Pancake Fundraiser Benefit at United Redeemer Church in Zumbrota on Sunday March 3rd from 9am to noon to support Tim and Sue Quam. Sue experienced a devastating stroke this past year and Tim is now her full time caregiver. Please help this couple to make ends meet by supporting this fundraiser. Free will offering. Thank you!

WEEKLY TITHING for February 17, 2019

Envelopes: \$ 425.00 Plate: \$ 125.00 EFT: \$ 1,650.00 **Total:** \$ **2,200.00**

St. Patrick's Ham Dinner/Silent Auction **Sunday, March 17th**

The time is nearing for the Annual St. Patrick's Ham Dinner



fundraiser. This year our dinner is scheduled on Sunday, March 17 at the Zumbrota VFW, serving from 10:30am to 1:00pm. Please take time to sign up for donations and also to volunteer your time for the event.

The sign-up board is at the entrance of the Church. You may also email at stpauls@hcinet.net or call the Parish Office 732-5324 to sign up.

Advanced dinner tickets are available at the Church office.

**For those who wish to give cash donation, there is a box and envelopes located by the Ham Dinner sign-up sheet or you may drop your donation in the collection basket.

If you have any questions, contact your committee members: Monica Capra & Chris Flaaen, Maggie Eggerichs & Sue Hinrichs, and Fr. Kasel.

Thank you in advance for your willingness to make this endeavor a success!

The St. Paul CCW February 12 meeting was postponed because of the wintry weather. The meeting has been rescheduled to Monday, March 4th. The Holy Mass will start at 6:00pm and the meeting with wine, cheese, and dessert will follow. *All women are invited!*

Looking for the 'just right' gift? Try a Catholic Faith CD! We have several great talks available in our Lighthouse Media Display.

HOLY MASS TIMES AND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Tuesday, February 26, 2019

8:00am Confessions/8:30am Holy Mass

Thursday, February 28, 2019

8:00am Confessions/8:30am Holy Mass

Sunday, March 3, 2019

8:25am Confessions/Rosary

8:45am Holy Mass - On 1st, 3rd, & 5th Sundays of the month Holy Mass will be versus populum; 2nd & 4th ad Orientem

Lector: Michael Hodgman

EM: Karen Hodgman, Lenny Feuling,

Rob Weber, Becky Mancilman

Server: Joel Matuska, Gunner Mancilman
Ushers: Lenny Feuling, Mark Hinrichs
Nursing Home Minister: Anne Varner

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February 26, 2019 Joanne & Mila Haus family
February 28, 2019 †Carol Zwart (Karen Hodgman)

March 3, 2019 Parishioners



NEWS FROM SAINT MICHAEL AND SAINT PAUL

Catholic Services Appeal Foundation "...be doers of the word, and not hearers only." James 1:22

What does your faith mean to you? Faith is something so personal that words cannot easily explain it. Faith can bring peace amidst turmoil, and true joy even in difficult circumstances. As Catholics,



we are called to freely live out our faith and to give back to others as Christ has poured Himself out for us. The Catholic Services Appeal Foundation (CSAF) is an independent non-profit focused solely on supporting 20 designated outreach ministries and nothing else. By partnering with the CSAF, you help those in need: the hungry, the orphan, the sick, suffering, dying and grieving. You assist in ministering to the imprisoned, evangelizing Catholic youth and college students, and strengthening families. You enable the sacraments to be provided to Catholics young and old alike. To join in the work of the CSAF, simply connect via your mobile device to csafspm.org, or complete a paper pledge form and drop it in the collection basket or mail it directly to the Foundation's office in Plymouth, MN. Thank you for responding to the Gospel call to serve the poor, support life, strengthen faith and transform lives by God's grace-Unified We Rise!

Prayer for Vocations: Oh God, we earnestly beseech Thee to bless this Archdiocese with many priests, brothers, and sisters who will love Thee with their whole strength and gladly spend their entire lives to serve Thy Church and to make Thee known and loved. Bless our families. Bless our children. Choose from our homes those who are needed for Thy work. Mary, Queen of the Clergy, pray for us. Pray for our priests and religious. Obtain for us many more. Amen.

Holy Hour for Vocations: Tuesday, March 12, 7:00-8:00pm at



the Church of St. Michael, Pine Island: All people of the Archdiocese are invited to participate in the Holy Hours for Vocations, a new program sponsored by the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis. This year's seminarian posters show the calendar of the Holy Hours for Vocations that will be taking place at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month. Each month, the Holy Hour for Vocations will take place at another parish in the Archdio-

cese. Come spend an hour with Jesus each month to pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, consecrated life and diaconate. For more information, please contact the Office of Vocations at 651-962-6890 or visit **10000vocations.org**.

Pro Life Quote

"The Gospel of Life is not for believers alone: it is for everyone. The issue of life and its defense and promotion is not a concern of the Christian alone. Although faith provides special light and strength, this question arises in every human conscience which seeks the truth and which cares about the future of humanity. Life certainly has a sacred and religious value, but in no way is that value a concern only of believers. The value at stake is one which every human being can grasp by the light of reason; thus it necessarily concerns everyone." -Pope John Paul II



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